

Patent Claims

1. Sheet delivery device for a printing machine, preferably for an electrophotographically operating printing machine, comprising a transfer path on which sheets are transported from a path entry of said transfer path to a path exit of said transfer path via said transfer path,
characterized in that
a specific height level is assigned to the path exit, while the path entry is configured in a height-variable manner.
2. Sheet delivery device as in Claim 1, **characterized in that** the height level of the path exit corresponds to the maximum height level of the path entry.
3. Sheet delivery device as in Claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** the horizontal distance between the path exit and the path entry is independent of the height adjustment of the path entry.
4. Sheet delivery device as in one of the previous claims, **characterized in that**, when the height of the path entry is changed, the course of the transfer path changes automatically in such a manner that the length of the transfer path is retained as is.
5. Sheet delivery device as in one of the previous claims, **characterized by** at least one position-variable deflecting element for the sheets to be transported.
6. Sheet delivery device as in Claims 4 and 5, **characterized in that** at least two successive deflecting elements located in the course of the transfer path together form an S-shaped path segment.